GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:198
ANSWERED ON:03.12.2001
M.S. AHLUWALIA COMMITTEE FOR CREATION OF JOB OPPORTUNITIES
DINESH CHANDRA YADAV;SUSHIL KUMAR INDORA

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Committee constituted for creation of additional job opportunities under the Chairmanship of Shri Montek Singh Ahluwalia has submitted its report to the Government;

(b) whether there is also another Committee headed by Shri S.P.Gupta constituted for the same purpose;

(c) if so, the composition thereof;

(d) the reasons for setting up of another committee after receiving the report from the first one; and

(e) details of the recommendations made by Ahluwalia Committee and action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

a) to e) A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 198 BY SHRI DINESH CHA YADAV & DR. SUSHIL KUMAR INDORA REGARDING M.S. AHLUWALIA COMMITTEE FOR CREATION OF OPPORTUNITIES, FOR REPLY ON 3.12.2001.

(a) Yes, Sir. The Task Force on Employment Opportunities under the Chairmanship of Shri Montek Singh Ahluwalia, Member, Planning Commission has submitted its report to the Deputy Chairman ,Planning Commission on 2nd July 2001.

(b) to (d) A Special Group on `Targeting 10 million employment opportunities per year over the 10th Plan Period` has been constituted by Planning Commission under the Chairmanship of Dr. S.P. Gupta, Member, Planning Commission to suggest strategies and programmes in the 10th Plan. The Group shall consider all relevant studies and recommendations including the report of Task Force on employment opportunities. The Composition of the Special Group is at Annexure.

(e) The full report of the Task Force has been placed in Parliament Library (Call No.331.1R/P1 and Class No.331.1R)The Chapter 8 of the Report gives the summary of recommendations. The strategy for the employment generation recommended by the Task Force is based on intervention in the following 5 major areas:

Ã˜ Accelerating the rate of growth of GDP, with a particular emphasis on sectors likely to ensure the spread of income to the low income segments of the labour force.

Ã˜ Pursuing appropriate sectoral policies in individual sectors which are particularly important for employment generation. These sector level policies must be broadly consistent with the overall objective of accelerating GDP growth.

Ã˜ Implementing focused special programmes for creating additional employment of enhancing income generation from existing activities aimed at helping vulnerable groups that may not be sufficiently benefited by the more general growth promoting policies.

Ã˜ Pursuing suitable policies for education and skill development, which would upgrade the quality of the labour force and make it capable of supporting a growth process which generates high quality jobs.

Ã˜ Ensuring that the policy and legal environment governing the labour market encourages labour absorption, especially in the organized sector.

The Report is under examination.

Annexure

COMPOSITION OF THE `SPECIAL GROUP ON TARGETING 10 MILLION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES PER YEAR THE 10TH PLAN PERIOD`

1 Dr. S.P.Gupta, Member (LEM), & Chairman, 10th Plan Steering Committee on Labour and Employment Chairman

2 Chairman (KVIC) Member
3 Sh. R.P.Sinha, Pr. Adviser (LEM) Member
4 Secretary (Labour) Member
5 Secretary (Rural Development) Member
6 Secretary (Urban Employment & Poverty Alleviation) Member
7 Secretary (Small Scale Industry) Member
8 Secretary (Agro and Rural Industries) Member
9 Secretary (Social Justice and Empowerment) Member
10 Director General, NSSO Member
11 Adviser (LEM), Planning Commission Member Secretary